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8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
9 EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

10 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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12 Plaintiff,
13 v.
14 SOHAIL MAMDANI,
Defendant.

CASE NO. 1:22-CR-00279-JLT-SKO

PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO FED. R.
CRIM. P. 16(D)

COURT: Hon. Jennifer L. Thurston

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16 This matter is before the Court on the motion of the United States seeking a protective order
17 pursuant to Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(d). The Court, having considered the Motion and
18 being otherwise sufficiently advised, holds that the Motion shall be **GRANTED**.

19 THE COURT FINDS that the government has demonstrated “good cause,” pursuant to Federal
20 Rule of Criminal Procedure 16(d), for the Court to enter this Protective Order.

21 THE COURT FURTHER FINDS that the discovery in this case is voluminous and contains a
22 large amount of personal and confidential information including but not limited to dates of birth,
23 telephone numbers, driver’s license numbers, and social security numbers (“Protected Information”).

24 THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED THAT this Order pertains to all discovery provided to or made
25 available to Defense Counsel as part of discovery in this case (hereafter, collectively known as “the
26 discovery”). Defense Counsel shall not share any documents that contain Protected Information with
27 anyone other than Defense Counsel attorneys, designated defense investigators, support staff, and any
28 retained defense witnesses. Defense Counsel may permit the Defendant to view unredacted documents

1 in the presence of his attorney, defense investigators, and support staff. Defense Counsel, defense
2 investigators, and support staff shall not allow the Defendant to copy Protected Information contained in
3 the discovery. Defense Counsel, defense investigators, and support staff may provide the Defendant
4 with copies of documents from which all Protected Information has been redacted. For any document
5 that is already in the Defendant's possession at the time of this order, including medical files related to
6 his patients, the Defendant may view unredacted versions of those files produced as discovery without
7 the aforementioned requirements.

8 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the discovery and information therein may be used only in
9 connection with the litigation of this case and for no other purpose. The United States contends that the
10 produced discovery is now and will forever remain the property of the United States of America
11 ("Government"). Defense Counsel will return the discovery to the Government or certify that it has
12 been destroyed at the conclusion of the case. Defense Counsel will store the discovery in a secure place
13 and will use reasonable care to ensure that it is not disclosed to third persons in violation of this order.
14 The Government assumes all responsibilities to preserve its version of the discovery in this case as
15 required by the law and applicable rules. Defense Counsel shall be responsible for advising the
16 Defendant, employees, and other members of the defense team, and defense witnesses of the contents of
17 this Order.

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19 SIGNED AND ENTERED.

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21 IT IS SO ORDERED.

22 Dated: **December 6, 2022**


UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE